

POLICE

4/2/09 - 4/8/09

Traffic Summons - 41

Calls for Service - 501

Incident Base Reports - 29

Reportable Criminal Arrest - 15

YTD Calls for Service - 6,970

The Martinsville Police Department and Henry County Sheriff's Office held the sixth session of the 2009 Senior Police Academy at the Piedmont Regional Criminal Justice Training Facility. Deadly Force Policy and Firearms Training & Safety lessons were taught by Lt. Ricky Walker of the Henry County Sheriff's Office and Officer Richard Pulliam of the Martinsville Police Department.

The 2009 Senior Police Academy Graduation was held on Wednesday at the Salvation Army. Graduates were awarded certificates of achievement and received a special gift for completing the seven week course.

MPD COP Unit Officer C. A. Gravely gave a crime prevention presentation to the Boys and Girls Afterschool Club at Patrick Henry Elementary School. The presentation included bicycle safety and a lesson on making positive choices in school and life. This program was presented to third, fourth, and fifth grade students.

Officer Gravely also gave a crime prevention presentation to kindergarten students at Clearview Elementary School. She explained to students that police officers are their friends. She also discussed how important it is to obey your teachers and parents. Each student was given Martinsville police coloring books, police badge stickers, and bicycle safety book markers.

--Amber Fulcher

SENIOR CENTER

The Senior Center's Breakfast Club met at the Sirloin House on Monday, April 6 with eight members attending. On April 7, the Plantation Band entertained forty-eight seniors at the Tuesday evening dance held at the Armory. On April 8, Barbara Shrader presented two short wellness programs to the seniors attending the Nutrition Site at the Senior Center.

There are still seats left on the bus to go see "Blues in the Night" at Swift Creek Mill Theatre in Colonial Heights, VA on May 20. Plans are now being made for a trip to the D-Day Memorial in Bedford, VA on June 8.

--Betsy Pace

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The application for possible Community Development Block Grant funding for the production of new residential apartment units was submitted to the Department of Housing & Community Development. A daily monitoring of the federal stimulus funding has been ongoing since the announcement of availability of these funds.

Community Planner Susan McCulloch met with the committee working on the "Martinsville Makeover" program on April 1. Wayne Knox along with Assistant City Manager Leon Towarnicki attended a round table meeting in Danville, VA on April 6 to discuss the weatherization program and its funding for this area. The Architectural Review Board met on April 9.

--Wayne Knox



2009 SENIOR POLICE ACADEMY

